#### **Occupational Safety and Health Administration**

[Docket No. OSHA-2010-0020]

Additional Requirements for Special Dipping and Coating Operations (Dip Tanks);

Extension of the Office of Management and Budget's (OMB) Approval of the

Information Collection (Paperwork) Requirement

**AGENCY**: Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), Labor.

**ACTION**: Request for public comments.

SUMMARY: OSHA solicits public comments concerning its proposal to extend the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval of the information collection requirement specified in its Standard on Dipping and Coating Operations (Dip Tanks).

DATES: Comments must be submitted (postmarked, sent, or received) by [INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

#### ADDRESSES:

Electronically: You may submit comments and attachments electronically at <a href="http://www.regulations.gov">http://www.regulations.gov</a>, which is the Federal eRulemaking Portal. Follow the instructions online for submitting comments.

Instructions: All submissions must include the agency name and the OSHA docket number (OSHA-2010-0020) for the Information Collection Request (ICR).

OSHA will place all comments and requests to speak, including any personal information you provide, in the public docket without change, which may be made available online at <a href="http://www.regulations.gov">http://www.regulations.gov</a>. Therefore, OSHA cautions interested parties about submitting personal information such as social security numbers and birthdates. For further information on submitting comments, see the "Public Participation" heading in the section of this notice titled "SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION."

Docket: To read or download comments or other material in the docket, go to <a href="http://www.regulations.gov">http://www.regulations.gov</a> or the OSHA Docket Office at the above address. All documents in the docket (including this Federal Register notice) are listed in the <a href="http://www.regulations.gov">http://www.regulations.gov</a> index; however, some information (e.g., copyrighted material) is not publicly available to read or download from the website. All submissions, including copyrighted material, are available for inspection and copying at the OSHA Docket Office. Contact the OSHA Docket Office for assistance in locating docket submissions.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**: Theda Kenney or Seleda Perryman, Directorate of Standards and Guidance, OSHA, U.S. Department of Labor, telephone: (202) 693-2222.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

### I. Background

The Department of Labor, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent (i.e., employer) burden, conducts a preclearance consultation program to provide the public with an opportunity to comment on proposed and continuing information collection requirements in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). This program ensures that information is in the desired format, the reporting burden (time and costs) is minimal, the collection instruments are clearly understood, and OSHA's estimate of the information collection burden is accurate. The Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 (OSH Act) (29 U.S.C. 651 *et seq.*) authorizes information collection by employers as necessary or appropriate for enforcement of the OSH Act or for developing information regarding the causes and prevention of occupational injuries, illnesses, and accidents (*See* 29 U.S.C. 657). The OSH Act also requires OSHA to obtain such information with a minimum burden upon employers, especially those operating small businesses, and to reduce to the

maximum extent feasible unnecessary duplication of efforts in obtaining information (*See* 29 U.S.C. 657).

The Standard on Dipping and Coating Operations (29 CFR 1910.126(g)(4)) requires employers to post a conspicuous sign near each piece of electrostatic detearing equipment that notifies employees of the minimum safe distance they must maintain between goods undergoing electrostatic detearing and the electrodes or conductors of the equipment used in the process. Doing so reduces the likelihood of igniting the explosive chemicals used in electrostatic detearing operations.

#### **II. Special Issues for Comment**

OSHA has a particular interest in comments on the following issues:

- Whether the proposed information collection requirement is necessary for the proper performance of the agency's functions to protect workers, including whether the information is useful;
- The accuracy of OSHA's estimate of the burden (time and costs) of the information collection requirement, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
  - The quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; and
- Ways to minimize the burden on employers who must comply. For example, by using automated or other technological information collection and transmission techniques.

#### III. Proposed Actions

The agency is requesting to retain its previous burden hour estimate of one (1) hour contained in the Standard on Additional Requirements for Special Dipping and Coating Operations (Dip Tanks) (29 CFR 1910.126(g)(4)). There are no program changes or adjustments associated with the information collection requirement in the

standard. The agency has correspondingly adjusted the per response burden to maintain a time burden as close as is possible to the actual time of one (1) hour.

OSHA has determined that where electrostatic equipment is being used, the information has already been ascertained and that the "safe distance" has been displayed on a sign in a permanent manner. The agency will summarize the comments submitted in response to this notice and will include this summary in the request to OMB.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved information collection.

Title: Additional Requirements for Special Dipping and Coating

Operations (Dip Tanks) (29 CFR 1910.126(g)(4)).

OMB Control

*Number*: 1218-0237.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profits; Federal Government; State, Local, or

Tribal Government.

Number of

*Respondents*: 10.

Frequency of

Recordkeeping: On occasion.

*Total Responses*: 10.

Average Time

per Response: 0.

Estimated Total

Burden Hours: 1.

Estimated Cost

(Operation and

Maintenance). \$0.

# IV. Public Participation — Submission of Comments on this Notice and Internet

#### **Access to Comments and Submissions**

You may submit comments in response to this document as follows: (1) electronically at *http://www.regulations.gov*, which is the Federal eRulemaking Portal; (2) by facsimile (fax); or (3) by hard copy. **Please note**: While OSHA's Docket Office is

continuing to accept and process submissions by regular mail due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Docket Office is closed to the public and not able to receive submissions to the docket by hand, express mail, messenger, and courier service. All comments, attachments, and other material must identify the agency name and the OSHA docket number for the ICR (Docket No. OSHA-2010-0020). You may supplement electronic submissions by uploading document files electronically. If you wish to mail additional materials in reference to an electronic or a facsimile submission, you must submit them to the OSHA Docket Office (see the section of this notice titled "ADDRESSES"). The additional materials must clearly identify your electronic comments by your name, date, and the docket number so that the agency can attach them to your comments.

Due to security procedures, the use of regular mail may cause a significant delay in the receipt of comments.

For information about security procedures concerning the delivery of materials by hand, express delivery, messenger, or courier service, please contact the OSHA Docket Office at (202) 693-2350, (TTY (877) 889-5627).

Comments and submissions are posted without change at <a href="http://www.regulations.gov">http://www.regulations.gov</a>. Therefore, OSHA cautions commenters about submitting personal information such as social security numbers and dates of birth. Although all submissions are listed in the <a href="http://www.regulations.gov">http://www.regulations.gov</a> index, some information (e.g., copyrighted material) is not publicly available to read or download from this website.

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#### V. Authority and Signature

James S. Frederick, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health, directed the preparation of this notice. The authority for this notice is the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3506 *et seq.*) and Secretary of Labor's Order No. 8-2020 (85 FR 58393).

Signed at Washington, DC, on September 28, 2022.

## James S. Frederick,

Deputy Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health.

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